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But a groundswell of public opinion is now firmly behind calls for the application to be thrown out, with widespread agreement that the loss of holiday accommodation will further limit tourism opportunities in Seaton and cause lasting damage to the town's economy.

Town councillors have already urged planning bosses to "take whatever action is necessary" in order to encourage hotel providers to renew their interest in building on the Harbour Road regeneration site.

In its formal response to the plans, submitted during the recent consultation, the town council warned that the proposals go against "numerous policies and strategies" designed to ensure development is appropriate.

Not only would extra retirement flats stifle job opportunities, they would "prevent the town's regeneration

projects achieving their full potential", the council said.

EDDC had previously granted planning permission for a 100-bedroom hotel on the site but the plans were later scrapped, opening the door for McCarthy & Stone to propose a total of 42 retirement apartments on the site instead

Pressure group Positive Development For Everyone in Seaton, formed to campaign for the site to be kept for hotel or holiday accommodation, has amassed almost 1,000 signatures in support of its appeal.

It says a small hotel could create between 20

and 50 jobs, with other local businesses benefiting indirectly. A spokesperson told *Pulman's View* that holiday accommodation would "enhance the town's role as a visitor destination" and make Seaton "the region's premier resort for green tourism".

Planning bosses at EDDC will reach a decision on the application in the new year.



■ SEATON Primary School's Christmas bazaar raised just over £2,000 which will help towards new Key Stage One play equipment. The Parent-Teacher Association would like to thank all of the volunteers and the many people who came along and supported the event. The bazaar was held at the school on Thursday, December 4th. Pictured above are Father Christmas, his elves and reception pupil Emma Popescu



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#### **AXMINSTER NEWS EXTRA**



#### **Axminster news in brief...**

 AXMINSTER food bank Canned Sunshine is reminding its users that the service is on a Christmas and New Year break.

Canned Sunshine is based at Axminster Health and Wellbeing Centre, and a spokesperson said: "The foodbank reopens on Monday, January 5th at 9.15am.'

The spokesperson also thanked the primary school and community shop in Hawkchurch for a recent donation, saying: "The shop and school supplied the food bank with several large cardboard boxes full of food, for which we are very

 MP Neil Parish has praised Flamingo Swimming Pool and its supporters for securing a £50,000 grant towards an aqua gym.

The grant was secured after winning a public vote in the Big Lottery Fund's People's Millions

In a letter to staff and management at Flamingo Pool Mr Parish said: "I often swim in the pool and Hook forward to in future being able to go to the

"This will be a great asset to Axminster and the surrounding villages.

"Congratulations again to you all for all the hard work that you put into the project."

 WASHING equipment and a strip light in Whirly Wash Launderette, South Street, Axminster, were damaged by vandals.

The extent of the damage has not been disclosed, but police said the damage was caused at some point between November 13th and 22nd.

Anyone with information is asked to call Devon and Cornwall Police on 101 and quote crime number CR/126216/14.

• T S RACING in West Street, Axminster, was burgled in the early hours of Tuesday, December

A police spokesperson said: "A male offender forced a lock to a door between 2.07am and 2.12am and a slot machine was forced.

"Anyone with information they think would be useful to officers investigating this crime is asked to please call 101, quoting crime reference 132374/14."

 A FRONT window at Dread's Audio Workshop in Chard Street, Axminster, was smashed when someone put a large stone through it.

This incident happened at some point between 8.15pm on Thursday, December 11th and 9am the following day.

Anyone with information is asked to call police on 101. The crime number is CR/129453/14.

#### Festive get-together for the senior citizens

MEMBERS of Axminster Care Service's Tuesday lunch club packed the senior citizens' centre for a Christmas get-together.

It was the lunch club's Christmas party on Tuesday, December 16th with an excellent turn-out. The club is so popular that it currently has a wait-

ing list, but anyone wishing to join is asked to call Rita Curryer on 01297 35550 to register their in-

Christmas lunch also featured the singing of carols, with Kathy Laing providing the music.



FIVE-year-old Willow Voysey has earned a Book Track certificate by reading 100 books borrowed from Axminster Library, taking just 10 months to complete the task.

Willow is a pupil at Axminster Primary school and lives in Axminster. She is photographed with library assistant. Jemma Patrick.



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#### **AXMINSTER**

#### Threat to small shops condemned by mayor

AXMINSTER Mayor Jeremy Walden is appalled that a potential threat to the viability of the town centre has won was approval from the district council under delegated powers.

East Devon District Council (EDDC) has approved an application for a Timpson kiosk in the Tesco car park to provide shoe repairs, dry cleaning, key cutting, jewellery repairs, watch repairs, engraving et cetera.

The application was not heard by EDDC's Development Management Committee, but decidedby officers under delegated powers.

Terry Barker, owner of Shoe Mate in Axminster, is likely to be worst hit by the approval.

Mr Barker, who has traded in the town centre for more than 15 years, said: "The government and councils keep saying they want to keep small businesses, but this is not helping me as a small

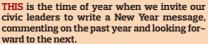
Axminster Town Council opposed the application, saying it contravenes conditions in the original approval relating to protection of the viability of existing town centre businesses.

A condition of the original planning application refers to the net retail area of the food store, saying it should primarily be used for "the purposes of the sale of retail food and convenience goods and shall not, except for 10 per cent of the net retail area, be used for the sale of comparison goods or for any other retail purpose". There is no mention of the car park, but a condition was implemented to "control the development in the interests of protecting the viability of the town

The EDDC officer's report, however, said it was thought that the kiosk, on account of its limited scale, would have "no harmful impact" upon either the vitality or viability of the town centre."

### From the editor's chair

#### That was the year that was



It also provides an opportunity from those who make the decisions which affect our daily lives to say a thank you to those who work so hard in their communities.

In AXMINSTER Mayor Jeremy Walden comments on a difficult year in which the town's library, youth provision and hospital has come under threat.

But he turned his thoughts to 2015 and the opportunity for Axminster to celebrate the 800th anniversary of the granting of the town's Charter.

From a civic viewpoint, **SEATON** has enjoyed an "uplifting" year and Mayor Gaynor Sedwick comments on how the town has bucked the trend with so many new businesses opening in

She, too, pays tribute to those who work so hard in the town, referring to them as "unsung

Councillor Sedgwick also looks forward to the opening in 2015 of the Jurassic Discovery

cantly to the regeneration of her town.

The year 2014 has also been a good one for ON says Mayor Peter Halse, believing one of the town's biggest successes was the opening of The Beehive community complex.

He also comments on how "passionate and caring" the people of Honiton are and how he is confident they will pull together in the face of further cut-backs in local government.

The cut-backs were also a theme in the New Year message from the Mayor of OTTERY St MARY, Councillor Glvn Dobson, He also praises his townfolk for their hard work and enthusiasm and pays tribute to their resolve in their efforts to safeguard local services.

Councillor John Hollick, chairman of SID-MOUTH Town Council, refers to the many challenges that lie ahead for his town in 2015 and the determination of the council to find a solution to protect the services under threat,

We asked District Council leader Paul Diviani to send a message to the people of EAST DEVON - but he declined our offer.

Philip Evans

#### SEATON

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#### OTTERY St MARY

#### 'Demanding' role for council, says mayor

MAYOR of Ottery St Mary Glyn Dobson has praised the hard work and enthusiasm of community leaders for their efforts to support the town's infrastructure over the last year, as public services cutbacks continue to bite.

Councillor Dobson, who was re-elected as mayor for an eighth consecutive year in May, said town councillors were being asked to play an "ever more demanding" role in various aspects of local government, as both district and county councils look to make savings.

Over the last 12 months, the town has been faced with a series of cutbacks to key services, with Devon County Council slashing funding for Ottery's library, children's centre and youth centre.

Threats of further cuts to road repair budgets and the loss of facilities at Ottery's community hospital still hang over the town.

But Councillor Dobson said he had been impressed by the resolve of residents, who have played their part in campaigns and projects to try to safeguard services. And the town council is now close to agreeing a deal to take over the former social services building at St Saviours for use as a community hub.

#### **HONITON**

#### **Huge demand for** festival to return

to another sausage and cider festival in May, following huge demand for organisers to stage the event for a second year. Last year's festival, billed as "the biggest com-

munity event Honiton has ever seen", was widely regarded as a huge success, with a sell-out crowd flocking to the Old Showground for a taste of the

Around 5,000 festival-goers came through the gates to see Westcountry legends The Wurzels and a host of other musical acts perform.

And now, after a surge in ticket requests, the Honiton Foundation is pressing ahead with plans to put on a spectacular second festival in the new year.
"We are really excited at the prospect of putting

together this second festival for the people of Honiton", said organiser Daniel Lavery. "The reaction to the first one was so positive

and everyone enjoyed the friendly atmosphere. We received a huge number of requests to do it all again in 2015.'

A total of £9,000 was raised for local causes earlier this year, with around half going to the popular Honiton-based charity Devon Free-

And the Bloodbikes organisation, which provides an out-of-hours emergency medical courier service, is set to benefit from a bigger and better festival in 2015.

#### **SIDMOUTH**

#### Urgent appeal to find new community cafe

LEADERS of a charity initiative designed to support Sidmouth's most vulnerable people are appealing to businesspeople and community members for their urgent help in finding a venue for a new 'community café'.

The Salvation Army is planning to launch the café in either Manstone or Woolbrook, and is on the lookout for a suitable location.

Volunteers hope to serve food in the café six days a week, while offering cookery workshops to help people learn about eating healthily on a

Charity bosses are also looking to work closely with the food bank and other community groups around Sidmouth to deliver support services to those in need.

To contact the Salvation Army with regard to the community café initiative, call Major Richard Mingay on 01392 822110.



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#### **Robert Arthur** "Skip" Pitman MBE

Passed away peacefully aged 88 on Sunday, December 21st 2014. Beloved husband to Nora, dearly loved father to Colin & Shirley and Heather & Howard, loving grandfather to Charlotte, George, Robert and James. Will be sadly missed by all. Funeral service to be held on Friday, January 9th 2015, 12noon at Holy Cross Church, Woodbury, Axminster, followed by interment in Axminster Cemetery. Family flowers only please but if desired donations to Holy Cross Church, Woodbury, or Parkinson's UK.

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### A New Year Message

#### from Mayor of Seaton, Councillor Gaynor Sedgwick

AS I look back on 2014 and into 2015, it is with growing confidence and excitement.

Our beautiful town has enormous potential, which is starting to be realised.

During 2014 it has been uplifting to see Seaton bucking the trend with businesses opening, developing and improving.

Residents and businesses have invested and improved their properties.

We now have a lovely selection of independent businesses, cafes, pubs and restaurants in the town.

Businesses have done their bit and it is up to us as residents of Seaton to support them by staying local and shopping locally.

Last year I visited many of our community groups in Seaton.

We have so many unsung heroes in our town who work tirelessly to support and encourage the elderly, disabled and the young, and to facilitate sporting activities. Thank you to all of them. Our Town Hall has

been transformed as a entertainment venue by Seatons Voice. The Gateway is now an exciting and vibrant entertainment centre, bringing all sorts of entertainment in to the heart of Seaton. the work and dedication of Seatons Voice should be applauded.

I encourage you to visit Seaton Museum, also in the Town Hall; the curator, Ted Gosling, is a wonderful historian who, with his volunteers has lovingly preserved our town's history.

One of the most exciting and significant events of 2014 was the start of the build of our new Jurassic Discovery Centre.

I am confident that this new and exciting centre will add significantly to the regeneration of Seaton.

Through the work of our town development team Seaton now has new branding, and has organised many events, in particular our monthly Artisan Market, which goes from strength to strength, all of which have helped to create greater footfall and vi-

Beautiful floral arrangements and parks in Seaton were recognised by South West in Bloom in 2014 when we achieved the Silver Gilt Award.

brancy in the town.

2015 will bring further changes with housing developments, improved sports and play facilities, mini crazy golf in Seafield Gardens and new play equipment in the Underfleet play park.

Seaton Town Council continues to develop plans for seafront enhancement, and further public consultation will continue this



provide town bunting and Christmas trees and lights, and keep the town signage and bus shelters clean as well as employing our own dog warden.

None of this could be achieved without the hard work and support of so many; thank you to East Devon District Council, staff, officers and Councillors.

Thank you to the community groups in Seaton who really do make a difference to the lives of others.

Thank you to the staff and Councillors of Seaton Town Council who work tirelessly for the benefit of Seaton and its residents.

On behalf of Seaton Town Council, I wish you a healthy and We will continue to happy new year.

### West Walk cafe could return

AN EMPTY cafe building on Seaton's West Walk could be let on a 25-year contract to a tenant willing to undertake a refit.

East Devon District Council's (EDDC) Chine Cafe has been empty since the previous lease ex-

Council officers are keen to find a tenant but acknowledges that the current layout is 'poor' and that a refurbishment is needed.

A report prepared for EDDC's Cabinet explained: "While the prospects for re-letting the cafe were being considered, it was noted that as well as requiring refurbishment the current layout of the premises is poor and does not utilise the space in a way to maximise usable floor area.

'The council could undertake the fit out works itself but there is a high possibility that the council's altered layout may not suit all potential tenants of the property."

EDDC currently manages West Walk toilets at a cost of more than £8,000 a year, but is keen for any new tenant to take on the toilets. The report said: "While a lease of the premises could require a tenant to take on management of the toilets, the size and condition of the toilets would make this an unattractive proposition.

"A solution to this would be to offer the property on a longer lease of 25 years with the incoming tenant required to undertake the alteration works.

"This would include providing a toilet facility which would be open to the public."

EDDC's Cabinet will meet on Wednesday, January 7th and officers have recommended members to support a proposal that "a 25-year plus lease of the Chine Cafe and attached public toilets be offered on a tender basis with the tenant required to provide toilets which can be used under a community toilets scheme as part of the redevelopment".

### Martin fulfills lifelong ambition

AS 2014 comes to an end. Beer guest house owner Martin White can look back with great satisfaction at having realised one of his lifelong ambitions, writes KEVIN FAHEY.

Martin and three friends -Tracey Chapple from Seaton, Karl Willis of Colyton and Axminsterbased Colin Crispin - have just completed one of the great road trips by riding along the fabled Route 66 in the USA.

They did it in style with three riding Harley-Davidson Heritage Softail motorbikes while Willis drove the support vehicle.

"It was an awesome trip and everything went perfectly," said

"It was even better than I thought it would be. We didn't book anything in advance and just took along our guidebooks and sorted out rooms as we went along and ate in some great American diners.'

Martin, who with wife Shelley runs Durham House bed andbreakfast in Beer, has always been a motorbike fan but had to put aside his hobby to take care of family and business interests.

"Then a few years ago Shelley rented me a Harley-Davidson for my 50th birthday and I knew then that the dream trip for me would be to ride along Route 66 in America," added White.

"The trip kept getting put off until it finally happened this year. Shellev said while I am fit and well enough I should get on and do it so I booked three weeks holiday

The trip along Route 66, immortalised in popular culture by the hit song '(Get Your Kicks On) Route 66', takes in eight states from Illinois to California.

White's trip was extended to 3,400 miles as extra diversions to Las Vegas, the Grand Canvon and Santa Fe were added on.

The four riders, who all grew up together, finally reached their journey's end at Santa Monica Pier watching the sun set on the Pacific Ocean.



### East Devon veterans honoured by Russian government

TWELVE World War Two veterans from *Pulman's Country* were among more than 50 brave men to receive the Ushakov medal from the Russian government during a ceremony in Exeter.

The Russian government honoured the men for the roles they played in the Arctic Convoys, transporting crucial supplies to Russia.

Counsellor of The Russian Embassy, Sergey Nalobin, presented the Ushakov medals to the men of the Arctic Convoys at a special ceremony at County Hall on Friday, December 19th. The medal is awarded to sailors who have displayed courage in the course of defending Russia or its interests.

Created by the Allied Powers, the Arctic Convoys sailed through blinding snow storms and darkness under a barrage of attack from German U-boats and fighter

### By Anders Larsson anders@tindlenews.co.uk

planes to deliver vital supplies to the Soviet Union in Northern Russia. More than 3,000 men died during the maritime campaign that Winston Churchill was said to have called the "worst journey in the world", and by May 1945, the Arctic route had claimed 104 merchant and 16 military vessels.

The Foreign Office initially did not allow Russia to honour the veterans as it broke their rules which do not allow British soldiers to receive a foreign medal if the act happened more than five years ago. Following a concerted campaign in 2013, they allowed an exception to the rule and President Putin presented the first medals during his visit to London on June 16 2013.

During the ceremony in Exeter, Mr Nalobin said to the veterans: "Your personal bravery is appreciated by not only the Russian government, but also by the Russian people. We will remember you every day of the year.

"We are pleased there are so many heroic veterans here today. It is important to salute you for the courage and bravery shown 70 years ago.

"What you have done for us was extremely important. We know how much you risked for that important mission 70 years ago."

The veterans from *Pulman's Country* invited to the ceremony were: Alan Bird (Axminster), Raymond Reginald Board (Axmouth), Raymond George Clark (Honiton), George Langridge (Seaton), Harold James Lovering (Ottery St Mary), Roy Frederick Thomas Lawrence (Beer), Perrin Raymond James Veness (Sidmouth), Frank Edward Scanlon (Seaton), Robert Gerald Frederick Stanes (Honiton), Robert Gordon Warwick (Honiton) Godfrey Frank Hart (Ottery St Mary) and John Hurst (Honiton).

In a previous interview with *Pulman's View*, Mr Bird from Axminster, said: "Every day there was an incident. You were at action stations all the time. Norway was occupied and Germany controlled the bases there and we were handy for them to target. They had a habit of it."

He was very modest about the part he played himself, though, and said: "I'm no hero or anything. I just happened to be there at that time.

"The people who served in the Merchant Navy were the real heroes. If it hadn't been for the Merchant Navy there would have been no food in this country."



■ ALAN Bird from Axminster and, below, Frank Scanlon from Seator







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### Royal title for community nurse

A SENIOR community nurse, currently overseeing community nurses in Axminster, Seaton, Ottery, Sidmouth, Honiton and Colyton, has been made Queen's Nurse.

Jane Watson was given the new title by The Queen's Nursing Institute (QNI) at its autumn awards ceremony at the Royal Garden Hotel in Kensington, London. The title reflects a commitment to high standards of patient care, learning and leadership in community nursing.

Jane is a senior nurse for community nursing for Northern Devon Healthcare NHS Trust. She is the professional lead for the community nurses who care for patients in their own homes and other community settings across East Devon.

Jane said: "Iam extremely proud to be awarded the title of Queen's Nurse. Our community nursing teams in East Devon do a fantastic job delivering high-quality nursing care for people in their own homes and it is a pleasure to lead and develop them."

Queen's Nurses benefit from development workshops, bursaries, networking and other opportunities. The title is given following an application process which includes feedback about the individual from managers and patients.

Sarah Garnsworthy, pictured right with Jane, the trust's senior nurse for community nursing in Northern Devon, joined Jane in earning the title in London.

Dr Crystal Oldman, QNI chief executive, said: "Congratulations to our new



The awards ceremony was attended by more than 200 people, including 80 new Queen's Nurses and senior figures in the nursing and healthcare sectors.

# Council set to press ahead with 'sensible' relocation

EAST Devon District Council is set to press ahead with revised plans to move its headquarters to Honiton and Exmouth, after councillors backed relocation proposals.

Detailed plans for the move will be drawn up in the new year, following the council's surprise decision to abandon its controversial SkyPark project.

Councillors signed off the proposals before Christmas, despite calls from Independent members - and a warning from East Devon MP Hugo Swire - to delay the decision until after the local and national elections in May.

Minority party councillors argued that residents had been "kept in the dark" about the key facts, and warned that it was reckless to commit to the "risky" move ahead of the elections.

But having backed the move regardless, the path now looks clear for the council to relocate to twin sites in Honiton and Exmouth, after a deal to sell its land at Heathpark fell through.

Staff are likely to move into the new offices in 2017 – a switch that is expected to cost around £10 million.

Council bosses say tax payers' money will be saved in the long term, with the alternative option – refurbishment of the current headquarters at Knowle in Sidmouth – costed at almost £16 million.

Council leader Paul Diviani said: "Relocation remains a priority and a means to face the future and deliver the best for our residents.

#### by Jack Dixon

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"Now that we have the support of full council we can work towards removing ourselves from a costly, uncertain and increasingly unpractical future at Knowle."

It was revealed earlier this month that more than £700,000 was spent laying the foundations for EDDC's SkyPark relocation, before a deal to sell council land at Heathpark - crucial to funding the move - collapsed.

Now the district authority is directing its efforts towards a revised plan, to be paid for with capital receipts and "prudential borrowing", which it says is the "sensible approach".

Cllr Diviani added: "Remaining at Knowle keeps us tied to old and inefficient buildings and fails to make the best use of this valuable council-owned asset.

"Refurbishment would cost the tax payer £15.9 million and quite simply, we don't have that kind of money. Relocation is our only option.

"A majority of councillors agree a combined Honiton and Exmouth office base offers a sensible approach involving new or modernised offices in two locations. A smaller headquarters and an accessible presence around the district has been the council's aim throughout this process."

The move has now been agreed in principle, but auditors will examine all the figures before a final decision is made.

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OFFWELL Primary School held its first Foundation ever Stage Unit nativity

The unit opened in September and the children have been practising hard for the traditional retelling of the Christmas story. Mary was played by Freya and Teddy was Joseph.

Headteacher Anne Billington said: "All the other children in the unit also played important parts, having several lines to learn as well as the words to the

"Parents and siblings vounger thoroughly enjoyed performance which was held in the village hall. Special thanks and well done to Mrs Hunt and Miss Winward, who helped the children perform so well.

"Meanwhile, the older children, Year 1 to Year 6, took part in a carol service with a

"There was a modern take on the story with today's characters playing along-side the more more traditional ones. The modern Kings found Bethlehem with the



help of a 'sat nav' and

"There was a mati-nee and an evening performance: both held in church and watched by parents, carers, grandparents, governors and the wider village commu-

nity. There were many compliments to be heard - a real start to the Christmas spirit for many.



■ PUPILS from Membury Primary School joined local pre-school children for a nativity play and service. The combined play and service to place in the village church. Staff and pupils have also been busy creating new website at www.acornacademy.org/membury

### Trio of cheques from tractor club



■ CHARDSTOCK Vintage Tractor Club presented a trio of cheques, each for £550, during an event at The Squirrel, near Winsham, Chard, before Christmas. The recipients were Cancer Research UK, Devon Air Ambulance Trust and Dorset & Somerset Air Ambulance. A further £50 was given to Denise Clarkson to help with the production of Chardstock News Letter. Club secretary Janette Bond said: "We have had several events through the year. Ploughing, a trundle, mowing and, of course, our first rally in September. We thank everyone for their generosity On behalf of the chairman, Robert Waldron, the committee would like to thank Carla Guppy and staff for the warm welcome and excellent evening that was enjoyed by us all."

#### 'Double Act' for Axmouth's youth theatre

THE young cast of Axmouth Children's Theatre TWO (ACT) ) performed two shows of Anne of Green Gables recently in very contrasting locations.

Firstly, they performed the play at Colyton Tram Station where the audience was given chance to travel form Seaton on the tram with Anne as she made her way to her new home and, secondly, they performed it in Axmouth Church as part of the opening of this year's Christmas Tree Festival. They adapted well to the two different sets and gave

good performances of a difficult script, which had been adapted by Malcolm Henty. Anne herself, played by Alice Price, was outstanding in both per-formances as we followed her story over a five year period. Two of the major roles were played by Imogen Oldfield and Euan Hartnell as the old bachelor and his sister, who mistakenly adopt Anne, and both of them at only 10 years old gave very polished performances, as did Matt Real as Gilbert and Ella Rap-

The parts of Mrs Barry and Rachael were both played well by Shelby West and her sister Taylor did the narration as the now older Anne. Callum Wood looked the part of the school master as he tried to control his students, played by Jessica Spiller, Beth Perry, Summer Perry and Lilley Smitham, two of whom are only eight but they all spoke well and looked superb in period costume and hair dos.

ACT TWO are now very much becoming a true youth theatre group with young Jed Holmes on lighting and sound and with Bex Smitham on piano. Another teenager, Beth Wood, directed the play, while make-up and hair was done by Jodie Smith, a student at Woodrofe School. Carol Rapley did the costumes and Lynn Richardson was the stage man-

Most of the cast are now working hard on their pantomime "Sleeping Beauty" which will be performed at the end of February half term 2015. ACT TWO will be in action again later in 2015 with a new show which promises to be special, more details of this will follow later.

Review by Malcolm Henty

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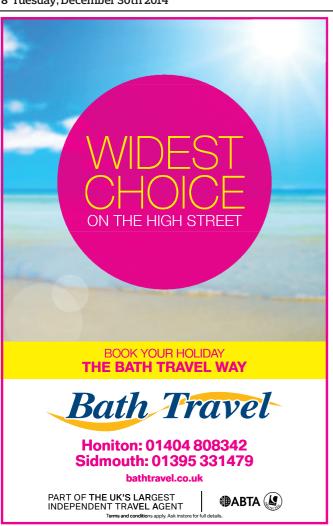
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A problem shared is a problem halved. Still a problem, though. I will not be taking my shovel up

#### Roger D'Albertanson

■ AXMINSTER Hospital League of Friends would like to thank staff and customers of Trinity House for their continued support.

The latest collection from their boxes of nearly £80 has brought the running total to nearly £300.

Axminster Hospital League of Friends

MANY thanks to all those who attended the excellent free concert given by the Exeter Cathedral Choristers in the Sidholme Music Room, Sidmouth

The bucket collection totalled £532! Thank you. John McGregor, Sid Vale Close, Sidford

#### **Enjoyable night** wreath making

■ I WOULD like to say a big thank you for a most enjoyable evening me and three friends had at Seaton Marshes doing wreath making led by Penny and gang from East Devon's Countryside Team on Wednesday, December

The evening was brilliant and we hope, with how busy it was, this will happen again next vear. Well done!

Kim Beviss and friends

#### **Development lorries** Excellent healthcare in Seaton

■ IN June I had to move my parents to Seaton from Hertfordshire as my mother became very ill.

I cannot praise the health care in Seaton enough. The doctors, nurses and carers have been fantastic with nothing being too much trouble. The Seaton nurses visit regularly and help us, as a family, remain able to cope with The staff at Seaton Hospital are marvellous and her GP even visits the

hospital when she is having day treatment to see that all is going well - unheard of in Hertfordshire where you are lucky to see a doctor.

I want to say a huge thank you and pray that that someone in authority see the sense in keeping these wonderful services in place.

Sandra Anderson, Seaton

### Thanks for supporting Lions

ON December 17th 1984 the Pulman's paper helped me to form Seaton & District Lions Club with 24 dedicated members.

In our 30th anniversary year, we have 28 members and, through your paper's continued support over the years and the generosity of local businesses, plus the people of Axmouth, Beer, Colyford, Colyton and Seaton, we have raised more than £40,000.

The money we have raised has helped both our local communities and national disaster funds. This year's Santa float is heading for a record amount and over £4,500 has been collected to date.

Once again, a sincere thank you to all who have helped in any way, for your continued support, enabling the Seaton & District Lion's Club to look after those who are less fortunate than ourselves. And thank you to all our retired fellow Lions and our wifes, plus Dee Byrne Jones, who allowed us to collect the donations to our Christmas tree light memory appeal outside her premises. Without their help we would not be able to help others in

Should anyone wish to join the Seaton & District Lion's Club, or just find out more about our club's activities, please call me, George Mabon, on 01297 21572. Season's Greetings to everyone!

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Mary also gave members a fascinating insight into unusual names, such as Ostrich as a Christian name of a Victoria Cornish family, or Ellen Step Forward and another gem, Pocahontas Scroggins. Another child called Almond became known as nutty slack when he became a miner.

Other humorous names included Honour Bound, Prosperous Guy and Orson Cart, the latter due to his mother being an Orson Welles fan.

Bigamy was another interesting fact during the 19th century when people were unable to divorce and remarry, with many men supporting two families and naming any children with the same name to avoid a

Following the talk, the chairman handed gifts to the

treasurer, Julia Walter, Penny Daglish who books ex cellent speakers each year and Stella Landeryou, who organises the refreshments each month and thanked them for all their hard work during the year. Members very kindly reciprocated by making a surprise presentation to the chairman.

During the meeting, Jill Ruddick from the Tourist Information Centre was presented with a £300 cheque from the Phoenix Ladies Club for the invaluable help the centre provides to visitors to the town. The TIC received the most votes in a secret ballot for the club's annual charity donation and continues the Phoenix Ladies' support of local charities and the vital services provided within the community.

The next meeting of the Phoenix will be on Wednesday, January 14th at 2.30pm in the United Reformed Church Hall, when guest speaker Fiona Dunster will tell members all about the work of a local JP. Programmes for the next year will be handed out at the meeting and subscriptions collected. Visitors always

#### U3A members meet for festive social

MORE than 80 members of the Honiton University of the Third Age (U3A) were welcomed by the chairman Susanne Jones to the Mackerness Hall recently for their Christmas social.

The entertainment began with young up-andcoming local jazz singer, Darcy Williams, who transported her audience in song from places as far afield as Ipanema to the moon, and then to enhance the festive mood concluded her performance with several popular seasonal numbers.

During the afternoon, members were invited to guess the identity and usage of 15 strange and curious objects which had been kindly brought along and displayed by Margaret Lewis from The Allhallows Museum. These ranged from wig curlers to a Victorian skirt lifter and there were some very amusing answers but the overall winner with most correct was Helen Wale

To keep up the quiz theme, on each table was a list of 22 cryptic clues, the answers to which were all well-known biscuits. These were pondered over



during the course of the afternoon and the table getting the most correct comprised of Judy Coreless, Pam Falkner, Mary Smith, Barbara Lewis and

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Advertiser's Announcement

# Youngsters achieve 5 stone loss with Honiton Slimming World



A COUPLE of Honiton youngsters have achieved their personal weight loss goals in 2014 by losing 5 stone between them and being voted winner and runner up of the Honiton Slimming World Miss Slinky competition.

Roanna joined the group in Honiton in 2013 after seeing herself on her daughter's christening photos. "I've struggled with my weight since I was a teenager and its always affected my confidence, so much so, I always hated going out as I thought people were staring at me".

"I was nervous and felt embarrassed that I had to join Slimming World as I thought I would be judged but that couldn't have been more far from the truth. I was made very welcome, everything was kept confidential too, The group were lovely and I couldn't have continued my journey without their support".

"I'm proud of myself now as I never did exercise before yet I now enjoy running and exercise DVDs and I have recently done the Race for Life 5K. The best thing is that my daughter and partner now eat the same as me and my daughter enjoys cooking with me too".

Milly joined Slimming World in April 2014 and has gone on to lose 2 ½ stone in the run up to her wedding in 2015. "Like Roanna, I had struggled with my weight for some time and hated going out as I never knew what to wear. I knew I wanted to lose weight for my wedding but just couldn't get myself started. That was until I rang my Grandma one day who asked me "Are you still fat or have you started losing weight for the wedding yet?" – of course this really hurt and I realised I needed to do something. That's when I found Slimming World".

"I'm finding it really easy and can still enjoy my favourite meal of lasagne and chips cooked in a healthy way, and I can still enjoy some treats, but I have learnt to enjoy them in moderation. I also now love to run and can even get grumpy if I can't go!!! The weight loss has also helped me control my asthma too"

Roanna and Milly attend the Honiton Slimming World group which is held on a Tuesday at 5.30pm or 7.30pm and also on a Wednesday at 9.30am. Both groups are held at the Honiton Family Church on the High Street. For more information please contact their Consultant, Sharon, on 0796 3337178 or visit www.slimmingworld.com/slimathoniton



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**Axminster:** Dalwood spinners, a local craft group who create hand made gifts, give all of the proceeds from their sales to South West Children's Hospice. A selection of their knitted good is currently on display in one of the Old Police cells at the Axminster Arts Cafe Axminster Arts Café The Old Courthouse, Church Street, EX13 5AQ 01297 631455. Opening hours Tues – Fri 9.00am 2.00pm; Sat + Mon 9.00 – 12.00

#### **WEDNESDAY DECEMBER 31st**

SIDMOUTH: Live Music - Pete Allen's Reeds 'N' Rhythm New Year's Eve Party at Woodlands Hotel (EX10 8HG). 3-5.30pm. Tickets with accommo dation and dinner £149, tickets for dinner and entertainment £75. Licensed bar, light snacks available. Cabaret seating. Limited free parking. For more details or to book call 078 999 25194

#### **SATURDAY JANUARY 3RD**

AXMINSTER: Axminster Arts, who run the Arts Café, will be holding their AGM at 2.30pm in the Arts Café. We are hopeful of support from the general public and the meeting will be followed by free tea and home-made cake - how can you resist?!

Axminster: Axminster Carnival Bingo at the Guildhall, doors 7pm, eyes down 8pm.

#### **TUESDAY JANUARY 6TH**

HONITON: There will be a free, 'one off' unique session for people with all types of breathing problems, when expert in the world renowned Buteyko Breathing Rehabilitation Method, Simon Paddon, comes to the Beehive Community Centre, Dowell Street. From 11am. Placements MUST be booked in advance either online at

www.buteykomethod.co.uk or by calling 0844 3577373

#### **WEDNESDAY JANUARY 7TH**

**SEATON:** Seaton and District Men's Probus Club meeting at St. Gregory's Church Centre, Colyford Road, at 10am when the speaker will be David Dumbleton on 'The Police'. New members welcome (Keith West on 01297 624374).

**AXMINSTER:** Axminster Historical Society Local Heroes. The Duke of Marlborough at Axminster: Douglas Hull will tell of how the Duke, in the 1688 Revolution, joined William of Orange's forces at Axminster. Margaret Dangerfield will speak about William Buckland, theologian, geologist and palaeontologist who wrote the first full account of a fossil dinosaur. He also became Dean of Westminster. All welcome. 7.30pm The United Reform Church Hall, Chard Street, Axminster, EX13 5EB

#### **THURSDAY JANUARY 8TH**

SEATON: Meet the Birds – improve your birdwatching skills with an experienced volunteer guide in the hide. At Tower Hide, Axe Estuary Wetlands. Parking through Seaton cemetery. 1-3pm. Free SEATON: Seaton Garden Club monthly meeting now at NEW VENUE Masonic Hall, Queen Street, adjacent to John Woods Estate Agents at 2.30pm until 4–00pm, illustrated talk by Ben Candlin "The Exotic Garden", Visitors welcome Charge £2 to include refreshments. Contact details: 01297 24049

#### **SUNDAY JANUARY 11TH**

Sidmouth: Pete Allen Solo Jazz Show at Stowford Community Centre, Chambers Close, 3–5.30pm (doors 2pm.) Admission £7. Call 078 999 25194

#### SUNDAY JANUARY 11TH - SUN FEBRUARY 1ST

Axminster: In one of the Old Police cells will be an exhibition of pictures by Megs Rimmer, David Starr and John Whenray. With her love of harmony of colours, Megs produces small oil paintings which are bright and refreshing whatever the subject. They are currently priced at half their normal price.

## Diary Dates ACT TWO 2011 perform **Anne of Green Gable**

THE young cast of ACT TWO (Axmouth ChildrensTheatre) performed two shows of Anne of Green Gables recently in very contrasting locations. Firstly they performed the play at Colyton Tram Station where the audience was given chance to travel form Seaton on the Tram with Anne as she made her way to her new home and secondly they performed it in Axmouth Church as part of the opening of this years Christmas Tree Festival. They adapted well to the two different sets and gave good performances of a difficult script which had been adapted by Malcolm Henty. Anne herself played by Alice Price was outstanding in both performances as we followed her story over a five year period, two of the major roles were played by Imogen Oldfield and Euan Hartnell as the old bachelor and his sister who mistakenly adopt Anne, both of them at only 10 yrs old gave very polished performances as did Matt Real as Gilbert and Ella Rapley as Diana. The parts of Mrs Barry and Rachael were both played well by Shelby West and her sister Taylor did the narration as the now older

Callum Wood looked the part of the school master as he tried to control his students played by Jessica Spiller, Beth Perry, Summer Perry and Lilley Smitham, two of whom are only eight but they all spoke well and looked superb in period costume and

ACT TWO are now very much becoming a true youth theatre group with young Jed Holmes on lighting and sound and with Bex Smitham on piano, another teenager Beth Wood Directed the play. Make up and hair was done by Jodie Smith a student at Woodrofe School, Carol Rapley did the costumes and Lynn Richardson was the Stage Manager.

Most of the cast are now working hard on their Pantomime "Sleeping Beauty" which will be performed at the end of February half term 2015. ACT TWO will be in action again later in 2015 with a new show which promises to be special, more details of this will follow later.

### Early Bird tickets available now for Sidmouth FolkWeek

AFTER the great success of Sidmouth FolkWeek's Diamond Anniversary celebrations, organisers are all set to do it again!

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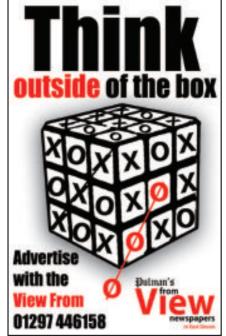


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FolkWeek will now be looking to the future of the festival, as well as staying rooted in tradition. We aim to continue to build a sustainable festival for the next 60 years, making sure that there truly is something to appeal to all ages, and all interests.

Keep checking the website for updates and latest line-up additions for the 2015 festival www.sidmouthfolkweek.co.uk



## **Diary Dates**

Meanwhile David, who is both colour blind and on the blind register mainly produces portraits. He has worked in all mediums and has an oil, acrylic, charcoal and watercolour on show. John has three small scraper board pictures available to view Axminster Arts Café, The Old Courthouse, Church Street, Axminster. EX13 5AQ. 01297 631455. Tues-Fri 9am-2pm: Mon & Sat 9am-12pm

#### **MONDAY JANUARY 12TH**

AWLISCOMBE: Honiton Art Society Meeting at Awliscombe Village Hall, 2–4pm. Demonstration by Colin Brown, Seaside and People in Acrylics. New members and visitors very welcome. Visitors £2

MONDAY JANUARY 12TH - SUN FEBRUARY 1ST Axminster: Once again the Axminster Arts Cafe is hosting a display of the winning entries of the Annual Lions International Peace Poster Contest. Entitled "Peace, Love & Understanding", this is the contest theme for the 27th competition; with some very creative & thought-provoking posters this year by students aged between 11 – 13 years old. The posters are judged on the artistic interpretation of the theme, together with the young person's quote on peace..They have been selected from Schools and Youth Groups from across the south west. Axminster Arts Café, The Old Courthouse, Church Street, EX13 5AO, 01297 631455 Opening hours Tues – Fri 9.00am -2.00pm; Sat + Mon 9.00 - 12.00

#### SATURDAY JANUARY 17TH

UPLYME: Jumble Sale at Uplyme Village Hall, 2pm. In aid of Royal British Legion Women's Section. For more details call 01297 442435.

#### **SUNDAY JANUARY 18TH**

**SEATON:** Bird ringing demonstration by the Axe Estuary Ringing Group. Please note, this event is subject to suitable conditions, and may be cancelled at very short notice. Meet at the Field studies base, Axe Estuary Wetlands. Parking through Seaton Cemetery, 9am onwards, Free.

#### MONDAY JANUARY 19TH

Axminster: Axminster Carnival Bingo at the Guildhall, doors 7pm, eyes down 8pm.

#### WEDNESDAY JANUARY 21st

Seaton and District Men's Probus Club meeting at St. Gregory's Church Centre, Colyford Road, at 10am when the speaker will be Tony Simpson on 'Tunnellers of The Great War'. New members welcome (Keith West on 01297 624374).

#### THURSDAY JANUARY 22ND

SEATON: Seaton Music - Sarah Beth-Briggs playing piano. At 13 she was the youngest ever BBC Young Musician finalist. Also performance of young winner of piano competition which Sarah judged. At 7.30pm at Seaton Town Hall. Tickets £14, under 18s and full time students free, on the door or 01297 625699.

#### **MONDAY JANUARY 26**TH

Axminster: Axminster Carnival Bingo at the Guildhall, doors 7pm, eyes down 8pm.

#### **WEDNESDAY JANUARY 28TH**

**UPLYME:** Uplyme & Lyme Regis Horticultural Society January Meeting. Alice Holden runs a small team growing organic food on a two acre site in Dagenham, east of London, and will be telling us how it was set up on a derelict industrial site and now runs successfully. The talk title is "Grown in Dagenham". 7.30pm at Uplyme Village Hall.

#### **SATURDAY JANUARY 31st**

SEATON: Meet the Birds – improve your birdwatching skills with an experienced volunteer guide in the hide. At Tower Hide, Axe Estuary Wetlands. Parking through Seaton cemetery. 9am-11am. Free.

#### MONDAY FEBRUARY 2ND

Axminster: Axminster Carnival Bingo at the Guildhall, doors 7pm, eyes down 8pm.

#### **WEDNESDAY FEBRUARY 4TH**

SEATON: Seaton and District Men's Probus Club meeting at St. Gregory's Church Centre, Colyford Road, at 10am when the speaker will be Doug Hislop on 'Archaeology'. New members welcome (Keith West on 01297 624374).

#### SATURDAY FEBRUARY 7TH

HONITON: Tommaso Starace in concert. A wonderful opportunity to experience the music of brilliant Italian saxophonist Tommaso Starace and his band (piano, bass and drums, set against the stunning photograhs of Gianni Berengo Gardin. At the Beehive, 7.30pm. Tickets: adults £8, child £6, family £25. From The Beehive on 01404 384050 or from www.beehivehoniton.co.uk. Licensed Café Bar. Tea and coffee available. A Villages in Ac-

# Puss to appear in Boots soon

AFTER cutting his teeth as a Producer for their recent shows Jack Price will be directing his first pantomime for Axminster Drama Club this year with an original script of Puss in Boots being performed for the first time.

So many youngsters wanted to take part this year that the junior chorus has been divided into three separate teams which means that 40 young members are able to take part, but not all at the same time. Not only does the club have a first time director many of the cast will be appearing in their first ADC pantomime this year as well but don't worry there is also many well-known members taking part as

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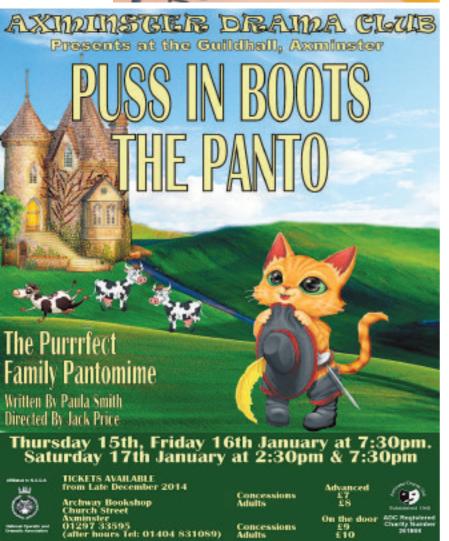
without the amazing artist talents of Jackie Demkiw and Heather White, with some outstanding scenery all created over the last few months in the clubs own workshop behind the Guildhall.

Tickets will be on sale for Puss In Boots at Archway Bookshop, Church Street, Axminster after Christmas. Performance dates are Thursday 15th to Saturday 17th January tions fo with a matinee on the Saturday with reduc-

ry tions for all tickets puthe chased in advance.







#### Rousing festive performance by Sheldon Singers at their Christmas Concert

HONITON'S Sheldon Singers performed their Christmas Concert at The Beehive Centre for the first time. The format on Saturday, December 20th was rather different from their usual Christmas offering in that appropriate readings were inserted into the programme, which made the evening even more enjoyable. The choir entered singing the Gloria from a piece called "Angels", written specially for Sheldon Singers by David Ogden.

The first half of the concert consisted of a medley of familiar and less well-known carols, interspersed with poetry and extracts from books. The choir demonstrated once again how beautiful their diction is in "God Incarnate", by Humphrey Clucas, a work of four pieces meditating on the story of the birth of Christ. A highlight of this first part of the evening was Ann Boakes' reading of Clive Sansom's poem "The Innkeeper's Wife". The audience was enrapt – you could have heard the proverbial pin drop!

Then, by way of Jingle Bells and three carols from the Far East (which included a most lovely lullaby from Korea, sung very poignantly by the unaccompanied choir) we rounded off the first part of the evening with the whole audience joining in for "It Came Upon the Midnight Clear".

The second half of the concert was very different. We started with the audience joining the choir to sing "Ding Dong Merrily on High" before going on to enjoy "On Christmas Night", a musical celebration of the Christmas Story by Bob Chilcott... written for choir, audience, and musicians. This meant that the audience joined with the choir from time to time, singing the traditional carol tune and words, whilst the choir sang a different melody and words. Again, the musical elements of this work were linked by short readings from the Bible. telling the whole story from the Garden of Eden to the arrival of the Magi. The musicians came into their own again in this piece, with a particularly enchanting flute solo accompanying "A Spotless Rose". A solo from soprano Catherine Early, with the audience singing "Silent Night" in counterpoint is also worthy of mention. And back to tradition for the end of the evening - what else but "Hark the Herald Angels Sing" sung by the choir and audience, rousingly accompanied by our talented musicians on flute, harp, oboe, percussion and keyboard. The Sheldon Singers return to St Pauls, Honiton on Good Friday for an Easter concert - not to be missed!

Review by Val Moran

### Free breathing help in Honiton

THERE will be a free 'one off' unique session for people with all types of breathing problems, when an expert in the world renowned Buteyko Breathing Rehabilitaion Method visits Honiton in the new year.

Locally based Simon Paddon will host the event. He is one of fewer than 300 specialists in the world who is qualified to teach Buteyko Breathing. Mr Paddon has led a series of NHS pilot studies of Buteyko Breathing, all of which have shown significant improvements for sufferers of COPD (chronic obstructive pulmonary disease), asthma, emphysema, bronchial problems, panic and anxiety, and other

breathing problems, whilst at the same time enabling them to safely and substantially reduce medications, in line with guidelines from Asthma UK. Published results of these studies conclude that if Buteyko were to be used nationally, within primary care, the NHS could save £268 million every year. Mr Paddon explains, "Buteyko Breathing is unlike any other form of breathing regime, it focuses on every aspect of breathing, such as, how we should breathing when we cough, sleep, speak, exercise, eat, panic, and at all other times - as well as using gentle breathing techniques". Mr Paddon continues, "There is

often confusion as to what exactly correct breathing is, with a perception that breathing deeply or breathing as much air as possible is best, when in fact this is not true at all, and can be very misleading. My session in Honiton will provide easy to follow advice to ensure breathing sufferers are correctly informed."

The free two hour session will commence at 11am, Tuesday, January 6th at Beehive Community Centre, Dowell Street, Honiton, Devon, EX14 1LZ. Placements must be booked in advance either online at www.buteykomethod.co.uk or by calling 0844 357 7373.



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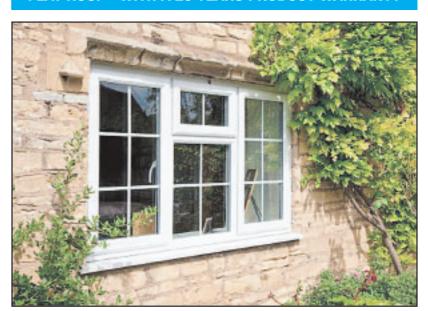
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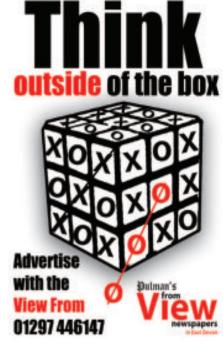
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The upgraded line-up, on sale across Europe from January, starts with a new Q70 2.2d model, powered by a four-cylinder diesel engine developed as part of Infiniti's strategic cooperation with Daimler.

Mated to a standard seven-speed automatic transmission with available paddleshift (depending on model), the new 2.2 diesel unit in the Q70 emits just 129g/km of CO2 while offering stirring performance thanks to 170PS and a generous  $400\mathrm{NM}$  of torque.

Replacing the 3.0-litre V6 diesel in the Q70 range, the new Q70 Premium 2.2d is priced from £32,650. The car comes as standard with full LED headlights, chromed accents on the front grille, a rear-view camera, front and rear parking sensors, with standard Connectiviti+ navigation, 18-inch wheels and leather seats with ventilation, in what is a typically generous Infiniti standard specification.

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# Fishermen snared by big penalty call

**LEAGUE - Division One (east)** Sidmouth Town 0 Budleigh Saltn 3 TWO goals from Jack Greenslade helped the visitors to a comfortable win

in this local derby. Despite the final score line it was the Vikings that nearly took the lead in the

25th minute when Ashley Small struck the inside of the post.

Both sets of players struggled with the playing conditions in a fairly evenly contested first half. But it was the visitors that opened the scoring a minute from halftime when Aaron Denny tapped in from close range. Budleigh scored their second in the

75th minute, this time the impressive Greenslade crossed from the left wing which found the unmarked Hugo Demetre and left the player with an easy finish.

The third goal came four minutes from time, Greenslade beating the offside trap and calmly slotted home.

Next up for the Vikings is Saturday's trip to face St Martins.

#### Axminster Town 0 Okehampton 5

AXMINSTER Town remain two points adrift at the foot of the table after slipping to their fifth successive defeat in a match played at Budleigh Salterton's Greenway Lane.

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#### **DEVON & EXTER LEAGUE** Beer Albion 0 Sidbury United 1

BEER Albion can count themselves unlucky not to have gained at least a point out of this fractious local derby which

was decided by a dubious second-half penalty writes Richard Honnor. Sidbury's physical, high-tempo approach did not make for a great specta-

Despite this Beer were the better side for the first 45 minutes and with more luck might have been two or three in front. Chris Long and Jacob Clode were working well in midfield and both tested the Sidbury keeper from long range on a couple of occasions.

Then John Cooper got on the end of a free kick by Long only to see his effort

Beer still might have scored from the resulting goalmouth scramble but the Sidbury defence somehow managed to keep the ball out.

The visitors came more into the game in the second half. Beer's defence were at full stretch on occasions but worked hard to deny the visitors any clear-cut chances and home keeper Steve Jones was rarely tested.

The game-changer came in the 70th minute when Sidbury's Dan Churchill middle into the penalty area. Keeper Jones got there first and scrambled the ball away for what appeared to be a cor-

The pair collided and the referee, who was standing in the centre circle, awarded a penalty that Dan Gale slotted home.

Beer strived for an equaliser but the visitors held out comfortably to win the three points and consolidate their thirdplace position.

#### ROUND-UP

With HEAVITREE UNITEDS match at HATHERLEIGH being called off, one of 25 postponements in the League, it means that TIVERTON TOWN will head into the New Year as Premier lead-

THORVERTON ended the year with a 4-2 win at SEATON TOWN scoring all four goals in the first half an hour Seaton scored either side of the break. but the Thors saw the match out.

Lee Radford with a hat-trick and Liam Vanstone were the Thorverton marksmen.

CHARD TOWN came from a goal down to draw 1-1 with TOPSHAM TOWN whose Kieran Barber opened their account, Jamie Boyland levelled NEWTOWN

WILLAND and ROVERS shared four goals, a result which lifts Newtown into fourth place.

Following their 1-0 victory at WITH-ERIDGE, NEWTON ST CYRES are now the main challengers to inactive leaders HONITON TOWN, Witheridge

chances.

EAST BUDLEIGH soared into the top half of the table after their 2-1 win at LYMPSTONE.

COLYTON regained top spot in Division Two after beating TOPSHAM TOWN 5-2, but keep an eye on UPOT-TERY after they beat HALWILL 5-1 with Steve Morris (2), Sam Farmer, Max Mckeown and Sam Winslade scoring. Upottery totalled 114 cup and league goals in 2014!

NEWTOWN crumbled to a 3-0 defeat against CHULMLEIGH whose Steve Ebdy had all three goals. Keeper Steve John celebrated his birthday by keeping a clean sheet.

With none of the top six in Division

Three getting a game CHAGFORD made ground with a startling 6-2 win at THORVERTON. Josh Stanbury with a hat-trick, Robbie Miller, Andrew Davis and Euan Stone scored for the moor-Division Four pacemakers COUNT-

ESS WEAR DYNAMOES were shattered 6-1 at home by MORCHARD BISHOP. Ryan Piper and Phil Greenslade both scored twice, Matt Buckingham and Liam Scholfield once. New Division Five leaders UPLOW-

MAN ATHLETIC went goal silly against PRIORY winning 9-0. Chris White and Paul Orchard hit doubles. OTTERTON won 4-3 against a much

strengthened FENITON side with Kev Pitt notching twice. Lee Mitchell and a 50 yarder from Gary May did the rest. Gareth Osman, Tony Knight and Sam

Appleby scored for HALWILL as they beat STOKE HILL 3-1, and Olly Pagett and a 90th minute Matt Clothier-Smith goal saw FLUXTON grab a 2-1 victory at SAMPFORD PEVERELL.

Unbeaten OTTERY ST MARY remain seven points clear in Division Six after a 3-0 win at DUNKESWELL. Connor Swingler, Phil Paddison and Jonny Baker scored.

Close rivals KENTISBEAR battered SEATON TOWN 9-0 with both Tom Beddow and Kirsten Parkhouse getting hat-tricks. They might have doubled that but for a blinder by the Seaton

HEMYOCK won a thundering game at TIVVY PARK RANGERS 6-5 in the only Division Seven match playeddam Phillips and Shane Heale both scored twice for the Rangers.

CULM UNITED soared to top spot

in Division Eight after steamrollering MORETONHAMPSTEAD 11-1 for their 11th consecutive win

#### Results - Saturday, December 27th PREMIER

Beer Albion 0, Sidbury United 1. Chard Town 1, Topsham Town 1. Newtown 2, Willand Rovers 2. Seaton Town 2, Thorverton 4.

DIVISION ONE

Lympstone 1, East Budleigh 2. Witheridge 0, Newton St Cyres 2. **DIVISION TWO** 

Colyton 5, Topsham Town 2.

Dawlish 8, Newton Poppleford 2. Newtown 0, Chulmleigh 3. DIVISION THREE

Axmouth United 1, Clyst Valley 3. Exmouth Amats 2, Axminster Tn 1. Thorverton 2, Chagford 6. Awliscombe United 1, Bow AAC 3. Countess Wear 1, Morchard Bishop 6. Langdon 5, Westexe Rovers 3. **DIVISION FIVE** 

Feniton 3, Otterton 4. Halwill 3, Stoke Hill 1. Sampford Peverell 1, Fluxton 2. Uplowman Athletic 9, Priory 0. DIVISION SIX

Dunkeswell 0, Ottery St Mary 3.

East Budleigh 1, Exwick Village 1. Kentisbeare 9, Seaton Town 1. Newton St Cyres 5, Beer Albion 0. Silverton 4, Railway Club 3. **DIVISION SEVEN** Tivvy Park Rangers 5, Hemyock 6.

DIVISION EIGHT Culm United 11, Moretonhampstead 1

Feniton 2, Colyton 2.

FIXTURES - Saturday, January 3rd (all 2.15ko unless stated)

Bow AAC v Budleigh Salterton Elmore v Tiverton Town Hatherleigh Town v Willand Rovers Heavitree United v Feniton Newtown v Beer Albion Sidbury United v Thorverton Topsham Town v Seaton Town DIVISION ONE Bickleigh v Witheridge Clyst Valley v Lympstone East Budleigh v Westexe Rovers

Exmouth Amateurs v Heavitree United Exwick Villa v Alphington Honiton Town v Newton St Cyres DIVISION TWO Chulmleigh v Newtown Culm United v Halwill

Hemyock v Crediton United Newton Poppleford v Colyton Sidmouth Town v Topsham Town Tipton St John v Dawlish United Upottery v Cullompton Rangers DIVISION THREE

Axmouth United v Woodbury Cheriton Fitzpaine v Clyst Valley Exmouth Town v Tedburn St Mary Henrys Cronies v Axminster Town Pinhoe v Chagford

Thorverton v Lyme Regis DIVISION FOUR Bampton v Countess Wear Dynamoes

Langdon v Amory Park Rangers Lapford v Morchard Bishop Newtown v Awliscombe United North Tawton v St Martins Okehampton Argyle v Lords XI Westexe Rovers v Bow AAC

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Amory Green Rovers v Elmore Central v Tivvy Park Rangers Chagford v Hemyock Lympstone v Alphington Offwell Rangers v Winchester South Zeal United v Pinhoe

Whipton & Pinhoe v Cherit Fitzpaine DIVISION EIGHT Colyton v Bampton Feniton v Lapford Moretonhampstead v Culm United Sidmouth Town v Wellington Town

St Martins v Sandford Tedburn St Mary v Bickleigh PERRY STREET LEAGUE

Saturday, December 27th CORONATION CUP FINAL Combe Res 3 Shepton Beauchamp 6  $(aet - at \, Millwey \, Rise \, FC)$ 

FIXTURE - Saturday, January 3rd DIVISIN ONE CUP FINAL Barrington v Netherbury (at Misterton FC - 2pm ko)

#### school sports badminton

# Axe Valley victorious!

HAVING qualified as winners of their group in round 1 oneat the start of December, the Axe Valley Community College U13 Girls Badminton team travelled to The Kings School, Ottery St Mary on December 16th to compete in the finals alongside Colyton Grammar, Cullompton and Exmouth.

Axe Valley faced Cullompton in the semi-final and won five games to

They then faced Colyton in the final and this was a much closer affair with some very competitive play

being demonstrated by both schools. The first singles game went Colyton's way but this was evened up in

the next doubles game. Axe Valley the took the lead by winning the next singles games and they won the next doubles game Typically this was the closest game

of the event so far going to a 14-14 match point situation.

The Axe Valley pairing kept their cool and won 15-14 to clinch the

Axe Valley team; Sophie Sharp, Charlotte Vigurs, Millie DeBono and Megan Herbert (also Maia Booth who played in round one).



#### MILLWEY Rise

# round-up Under 10s Exeter & Dis-

trict Youth League (east) Millwey Rise 8 (Ben Fox 3, Nathaniel Giles-Jones 2, Jacob England, Mason Doble, Dylan Bebbington) 0 Moors Vultures, Millwey Rise 1 (Ben Fox)

Moors Falcons 2. Under 12s East Devon Youth League

Millwey Rise 1 (Joshua Daines) Honiton Town Under 11s 2 Under 13s Exeter & Dis-

trict Youth League (Division 2) Millwey Rise 0-11 Cullompton Rangers.

 SEATON U9s were involved in two Christmas crackers against Brixing-

ton.

The first saw them edged out 3-2 in a great encounter, Leo Gribble scored both Seaton goals. Adam Clinch and Kieran Jaycock were superb in defence.

Next up were the Blues and Seaton turned in their best performance of the season winning 2-0 in an outstanding team performance.

After less than a minute Henry Matthews latched onto a through ball from Lewis Gorman and tucked away the opener. Aaron Hale then

Aaron slammed in a second just before half time.

Seaton's defence held firm in the second half, with Max Nevell and Corbin Reel patrolling the midfield.

#### youth football golf news from axe cliff and honiton

# **Christmas Fayre cheer for Palmer**

HONITON with Andy Wagner MONTHLY STABLEFORD

IT was the last Stableford before Christmas and the conditions were quite benign.

Some took to the course more than others with some bumper scores amongst the winners. Division One was lead by Darren England with 39pts ahead of Ian Atyeo 38 and John Marchant 36.

Division Two was equally solid with Brian Morrison taking the honours on count back from Andy both with 39pts. Third was Andy

"ROLL up, roll up - everyone a winner" is the cry of the Fairground stall holder - much like this weeks Mixed Competition - Bring and Win Greensome Stableford with "every-

one a winner".

Forty two members competed and the best score of 39pts was by Su & Den Calver with Su putting everything in sight.

Next best on c/b was 36 by Janet Hughes

& Bob Barnes - followed by Lesley Farley & John Northover 36 losing out on c/b and Elizabeth & John Ward with 35. Then all other competitors selected their

prize in points scored order. The prize table looked very festive - chocolates, biscuits, wine etc as did the various sweaters, hats and Christmas ties on show.

Jennifer and Richard Pyle checked the cards and announced the scores - they thanked all the members who had organised the competitions each month during the past year and then thanked Andrea Squire for writing the press reports each week and pre-

sented her with an Amaryllis. Club Captain Ron Graham then gave a vote of thanks to Jennifer and Richard, bar staff and catering and then wished all members a Happy Christmas and all best wishes for the New Year.

AXMINSTER with Helen Kenworthy

THE Men's Section played their December Medal on December 7th, scores; Division One -1st Alex Todd net 65, 2nd(on back 9) Paul Curtin net 66 and 3rd Chris Glover net Division Two - 1st Steve Reed net 71, 2nd

(on back nine) Dave Morgan net 72 and 3rd Alan Morgan net 72. There were seven 2s; Dave Morgan, Mike Rymer, Sam Greenslade Paul Curtin (2), Andrew Hellier and Stuart Mackie.

On December 14th it was the Christmas Bowmaker format team of three stableford.

Result; (1st nine one score to count 2nd nine two scores to count and 3rd nine three score to count, 1st Basil Dean, Jin Hong & Chris Glover 78pts, 2nd Steve Reed, Mark Ward & Alex Palmer 76pts. There were two 2s; Stuart Mackie & Paul Clode.
On December 21st Christmas Fayre for-

mat Stableford shot gun start was played and there were some very good scores. Scores; Alex Palmer 41pts, Mark Ward 40

and 3rd Richard Gibbons 38pts. There were four 2s - Simon Wellington, Richard Gibbons, Mike Cottam and Jin Hong.

On the 10th December the Ladies played their Christmas Stableford, result - 1st Barbara Cummings, 2nd Margaret Kenchington and 3rd Pauline Willis. THE Seaton FC B triple of Dave Nichols, Matt Eates & Steve Baker won this year's Rockett Cup Triples at Beer Club, with Steve winning the final in style with a 105 out-shot against the Seaton FC A triple of Kevin Searle, Pete Taswell & Stu-

darts colyton

LAST 16: Seaton FC B II 2 Dolphin II 0; Kingfisher A 2 Kingfisher B II 1; PJs II 2 Golden Hind I 0; Seaton FC A I 2 PJs I 0; Seaton FC A II 2 Beer Club 0; PJs III 2 Vault 0; Seaton FC B I 2 Golden Hind II 1; Dolphin I 2 King-

QUARTER-FINALS: Seaton FC B II 2 Kingfisher A 1; Seaton FC A I 2 PJs II 1; PJs III 2 Seaton FC A II 0; Seaton FC B I 2 Dolphin I 0 SEMI-FINALS: Seaton FC A I 2 Seaton FC B II 1; Seaton FC B I 2 PJs III 1.

FINAL: Seaton FC B I 2

#### Individual Singles

Top 10 at the half-way point (one scorecard still to ar-

	Pld	W	Le
Searle		8	
Anning	8	7	
Taswell		7	
Letten	8	7	
Jones	7	7	
.Wood	8	7	
Long	6	6	
Phillips	8	6	
Vincent	8	6	
Svendsen	8	6	

#### running axe valley runners and honiton rc

## Wild night for James in Dark Dart Dash!

**HONITON RC** with Judy Davey

SHANE Hudd ran the 9.8 mile TOR-RINGTON CHRISTMAS CAPER on Sunday, December 21st.

The course, which started and finished at the town's Rugby Club took runners along trails, through muddy tracks and fields, up hills and through a few bogs too. Shane finished 85th out of 185 runners in 1:27:42.

On the same day several other HRC members took part in the WELLING-TON MONUMENT race which is just

It was a mild cloudy morning in Hemyock and the gruelling hill took runners up towards Simonsburrow before levelling out and circling Wellington

The race was won by Rowan Preece of Taunton AC in the time of 33 minutes 51 seconds and first back for Honiton was Paul Williams who came 43rd in

Mark Dallyn was next back coming 55th in 46:49 and Helen Davy finished 98th in 51:10 winning a category prize. Helen's daughter Morgan also won a prize for 1st Under 18 female coming 122nd overall in 53:29.

It was Claire Burrough's first ever race and she did brilliantly to come 138th in

Helen's other daughter Sasha completed the HRC contingency to come 141st in 55:19. There were 196 finishers

#### **AXE VALLEY RUNNERS**

with Dave Mutter

JAMES Green attended the first instalment of the WILD NIGHT RUNNING Se-

The appropriately named Dark Dart Dash 10K was wet, windy and indeed

Night Owls

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very dark. A single file concrete path at the start quickly morphed into a lovely trail through the woods with plenty of climb and more than enough tree roots to keep you sharp.

Having worked his way into a promising second place at the half way stage James found himself lost and had to retrace his steps to rejoin the race, eventually recovering to 3rd in 46:17.

The next instalment is on January 31st in South Brent.

The WELLINGTON MONUMENT 10K starts from the Catherine Wheel pub and then climbs to, and circles, the Wellington Monument, returning along the same road to finish at Hemyock CP School. One mile of firm stone track, a steep

ascent and descent of approximately a half- mile form part of this undulating, hilly, scenic and rural course.

Sue Venn successfully finished in

P.Taswell8	7	
PLetten 8	7	
F.Jones7	7	
G.Wood8	7	
S.Long6	6	
S.Phillips8	6	
S.Vincent8	6	
S.Svendsen8	6	

#### bowls round-up

# Terry up to the challenge

SEATON SHORT MAT with Linda Stone

SEATON short mat bowls club completed their CHRIST-MAS SINGLES CHALLENGE competition on Saturday, Twenty four players competed throughout the week in a

round-robin competition and the top four players went through to the semi finals.

Terry Hurley-Smith won his semi against Sue Smith while Gill Sykes beat Tony Swindells.

Hurley-Smith who eventually won in a close fought final against Sykes. The event was a huge success with good crowds of spec-

tators and the day was finished off with a fish supper.

#### HONITON with Ann Brown

IT'S been a rather lean week for Honiton bowlers. A friendly against CHARDSTOCK gave a 84-74 win with the top rink being Mike Uniacke, Alan Fuller, Ted Cox and Ken Morfey 27-18.

But there was a 52-83 defeat to EXONIA with a loss on all rinks. June Lee, Gill Munslow and Keith Parsons were the top rink only losing by one shot.

The men played the Charles Parrott County Trophy (for unbadged players only) but were knocked out by TORQUAY

They fared better when the Men's Devon County President, Tony Berry, brought a team to play. The home team won 69-66. Top rink was Dave Roberts, Keith Parsons, Clive James and Bernard Tonkin 17-10.

THE Club completed their 2014 fixtures in great style winning four of the five matches played and losing one by just

In the Over 60s Devon League we enjoyed an excellent win against NORTH DEVON with both home rinks winning well; Mike Heneghan, Sid Milburn, Doug Looskan & Char-lie Barber (24-17) and Roger Legg, Arther Stone, Paul Moffitt & John Gough 23-15) whilst both away rinks lost narrowly by three shots each.

In the mixed friendlies we lost 51-57 at TAUNTON

DEANE with a winning rink of Morrison Brown. Alan Foster, David Harris & Bob Sherborne (22-10) before beating DONYATT 76-42 at home) with wins for Morrison Brown, Lilian Lovatt, Gerald Knott & Margaret Crompton (34-9) and Pam Clark, Margaret Brown, David Harris & Ann

Clayton (23-12).
We then beat OTTERY ST MARY 92-32 at home with wins on all rinks - Les Clark, Gerald Knott, John Hill & Margaret Crompton (42-15), Morrison Brown, Brenda Raistrick Jack Wakeley & Brian Clark (30-6) and Pam Hunter, Mar-

garet Brown, Doug Hislop & Neil Solomon (20-11). Finally, we had an excellent 75-37 home win against MADIERA with wins for Morrison Brown, Barbara Mowatt. Malcolm Denslow & Margaret Crompton (32-7) and Brian Cursley, Margaret Brown, David Harris & Jack Wakeley (30-

◆ AND THEN THERE WERE FOUR: Tony Swindells, Sue Smith Both semi finalists, Terry Hurley-Smith (winner) and Gill Sykes finalist in the Seaton Shot Mat Christmas Singles Challenge.

#### **skittles** round-up COLYTON LEAGUE

## Div 1: Lamb B 327 (M Pid-geon 62) Gerrard A 332 (R Gay 70); Cloakham B 343 (T Miller 73) Lamb A 344

(T Miller 73) Lamb A 344 (S Pomeroy 67); Axe Con A 350 (S Woolloff 68) New Inn A 363 (R Webb 69); Colyton Club 335 (G Foxwell 61) Hon WMC A 346 (J Barker 63); Red Lion Cavaliers 368 (P Stone, M Summers 70) Honiton Con D 415 (M Wheaton 78); Colcombe A 364 (C Tucker Colcom Colcombe A 364 (C Tucker 67) Honiton Converts 412

(S Lapping 81); Vine B 359 (G Wright 63) Red Lion A 356 (C Garner 63).

Div 2: Eagle Tavern 384 (B Hutchings 71) Winstons B 373 (N Widger 70); Cloakham Wanderers 323 (M Barnes, G Hayball 62) Volunteer A 304 (M Gillard 60); Seaton Town AFC 362 (R Hancock 68) Beer B 387 (R Abbott 78); Gerrard B 301 (S Potter 58) Ship C 320 (N Ostler 62); Sidbury Stones 379 (G Sweetland 67) Vine A 350 (C Every 63); Mountbatten Whites 336 (E Bonetta 69) Wheelwright A 347 (T Hammett 63).

Div 3: Offwell A 416 (R Div 3: Offwell A 416 (R Pincombe 88) Colcombe B 374 (R Pengilley, B Harris 69); Colcombe Beerboys 383 (N Hales 70) Awlis-combe Harts 361 (I Woolla-cott 73); Beer Vikings 313 (B Brid 59) Sidbury village inn 308 (S Perry, B Tailor 56); Sidbury Lions 319 (N Barrett 61) Beer Albion 332 (C Hales 64).

Div 4; Honiton Con A 369 (F Crabb 80) Tuckers C 338 (R Dare 66); Kingfisher A 298 (A Bishop 55) Rising Sun A 288 (T Churchill 60); Tuckers A 388 (A Smith 71) Seaton AFC B 336 (C Ziemann 64); Honiton Conartists 378 (J Westwood 72) Kings Arms A 344 (K Tozer 70).

Div 5: Seaton Bowling 296 (Lilian Hurley-Smith 58) P Js 269 (P Nield 49); Beer C 295 (S Lang 57) Heathfield A 314 (D Pearse 61); Honi-ton WMC B 289 (G Hart 55) Offwell Rejects 321 (L Stubbs 61); Winstons A 357 (D Gammon 66) Old Inn Kings 311 (S Fuller D Mc-Kings 311 (S Fuller, D Mc-Cullum 60); Ship B 367 (P Christmas 72) Kingfisher B 302 (A Hurford 66); Heathfield B 374 (M Glaeser 70) Honiton Con B 389 (A Nor-

Division One	Pld	Pts
Gerrard A	13	22
Cloakham B	13	20
New Inn A	13	20
Axe Con A	13	17
Vine B	13	16
Honiton Converts	13	12
Red Lion Cavs	13	12
Honiton Con D	13	10
Honiton WMC A	13	10
Lamb A	13	10
Lamb B	13	10
Colyton Club A	13	9
Colcombe A	13	8
Red Lion A	13	6
Division Two	Ыd	Ptc

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Ship C12		
Tuckers Arms B12	16	
Volunteer A12	14	
Beer sc B11	12	
Cloakham Wanderers11	12	
Eagle Tavern12	12	
Seaton AFC A12	12	
Vine A12	12	

Mountbatten Whites12	6
Wheelwright A12	4
Division Three Pld	Pts
Colcombe Beerboys12	24
Beer Vikings12	14
Volunteer R 11	13
Volunteer B11 Beer sc A12	13
Colcombe B12	13
Beer Albion11	12
	12
Offwell A12	
Cloakham C11	10
Three Tuns Hamm11	10
Sidbury SC A11	8
White Hart B11	8
Awliscombe Harts12	7
Sidbury Lions12	6
Division Four Pld	Pts
Honiton Con BTP11	16
New Inn B11	14
Tuckers Arms A11	14
Honiton Con A11	12
Kingfisher A 11	12
Kingfisher A11 Seaton AFC B11	12
Rising Sun A11	11
Axe Inn A10	10
Tuckers Arms C11	9
Rising Sun B10	8
Honiton Con Artists11	8
Kings Arms A11	4
Kiligs Affils A11	4
Division Five Pld	Pts
Honiton Con B12	22
Winstons A12	20
Heathfield A12	18
Honiton WMC B12	16
Seaton Bowling12	
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Division One	Pld	Pts
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Culm Vale	12	16

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Division Two Falaton		Pts 20
A Team		16
Honiton Clyst		12
Latecomers		12
Fuckers Arms		12
Cocks & Hens	9	10
Broadclyst	11	10
Jack's Lads	.11	10
Perkins Village	8	8
Yoyo's		8
Keepers		6
Blackdown Boys		4
Top Cats	11	4
Division Three Awliscombe Shoot		Pts
Axe Valley		16
Maynards	10	14
Guys & Gals		12
Alley Cats	9	10
Goldtops	9	10
Brooksiders	8	8
Tale Nibs	8	8
New Inn	.10	8
Bashers		6
Yetties	9	6
Cee Dee's		6
Bakers 8	8	2

Top Scores; Alan Maynard (Maynard's) & Ross Clarkson (Night Owls) both 93, James Perryman (Guys & Gals) 92, Mark Vinni-combe (Marvels) 88, Andy Carter (Honiton Clvst) 86, Kevin Clarke (Blacksmiths) & Martin Nancekivell (Marvels) both 85, Alan Bright (Axe Valley) 83, Stuart Selway (Auctioneers) 82.

# Lots going on in Sidmouth

Sidmouth Swimming Pool

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